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East Side

By P. D.

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Watch On The POTOMAC

by
Robt. G. Spivack

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Worth Consideration —

Rewards

Once upon a time there were two fish. One was named Salmon and the other Whitefish.

Whitefish was known far and wide as a lazy, lazy fish. Salmon was renowned for his vigor and delight in the muscular life. He amused himself by testing his apathetic friend: "The trouble with Whitefish is that he always wants to take it easy," he said. "Therefore his meat is coarse and the fisherman ignores him, for nobody wants to hook a fish that won't struggle."

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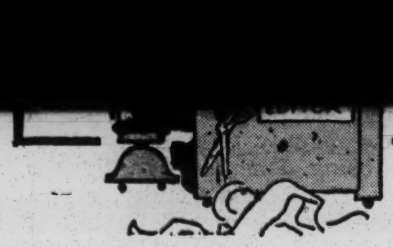

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The score car contains the rules. I shall expect you to apply them as scrupulously as though I were watching — because I might be. If I happen to be on the last tee, I do not wish to give an additional half-stroke or more and play the last hole double or nothing. I prefer, while at golf, not to be drawn into a discussion pursued by others in the middle of my backswing.

The following imperfections in my swing are well-known to me:

Looking up	No pivot
Too fast a backswing	Teeing ball too high
Standing to far ahead of ball	Teeing ball too low
No follow through	Too much right hand
Bending left arm	Not enough right hand
Lunging at the ball	Left foot too far forward
Stance too open	Left foot too far back
Stance too closed	Faulty grip

The above-mentioned faults have been pointed out to me by my professional and also by many of my friends . . . including a few former friends. I have been playing more than a few years, so calling my attention to my shortcomings will be superflous. Your time could be more profitably employed.

Concerning the 19th hole, allow me to state that I don't mind a friendly drink, it helps me to become reconciled to my golf imperfections. If I win your money, I will buy you a drink. If you win, I will expect you to do the same. If it is agreeable to me to engage in a return match, I will so inidcate at the appropriate time. And, if your mode of conduct is in accord with the above-mentioned suggestions, I am certain that the time will be soon. Thank you for your forthcoming demonstration of courtesy and consideration.

I understand that some church people were offended by a recent editorial of mine having to do with legalized liquor. My aim was not to offend, I assure you. But reality is often an unkind thing, and I can well understand that it would be easier to be offended than to face it. Aftr all, anyone can be offended . . . and most often is.

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It's pleasant to be able to report that nearly everyone in the press corps was wrong. Ike stood his ground. It was a "new" Eisenhower for Washington; it was very much in the image of the old Gen. Eisenhower who beat the Nazis to a pulp.

It wasn't an argumentative Eisenhower who talked to the newsmen. He did not like sending troops.

"No one can deplore more than I do the sending of Federal troops anywhere," he said matter-of-factly.

"It is not good for the troops; it is not good for the locality; it is not really American, except as it becomes absolutely necessary for the support of the institutions that are vital to our form of government."

Later someone asked whether The White House could not supply more leadership in straightening out the integration-segreation mess? The President did not have too much to say on this point, except that he indicated it was time for the Southern extremists to begin using a little restraint.

"Now, the leadership of the White House can be exercised only, as I see it, through giving the convictions of the President and exhorting citizens to remember America as well as their own private prejudices," he said.

WHAT MAKES IKE MAD — Only once during the entire press conference did the familiar Eisenhower temper flare up. One newsman wanted to know if, instead of allowing things to drift, The White House might have acted sooner to head off the crisis?

"I am astonished how many people know exactly what the President of the United States should do," Ike snapped.

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In due course they were caught in a net, thrown into a pot cooked and canned.

Whitefish noted the passing of the salmon and the minnows. He remarked to his wife: "Mamma, I expect our fate will be rather sad. We ought to be better than we are and we should travel the strait and narrow. But it looks as if the strait and narrow is not that of Evangelist Salmon. We take pleasure in the soft life. He took pleasure in the vigorous life. He got canned and we will probably just drop dead. Do you suppose that is the end of all fish?"

His wife did not say anything for quite a time. Then she suggested, "It may be that fish do not fix their own rewards. I do not think the strait way is so pleasurable as Salmon preached it to be. We know the broad way has lots of troubles. The rewards of each are uncertain."

She stirred herself to gobble a worm that floated by. Finally: "Do you suppose there is another way? . . . A path where one does not worry about rewards?"

(Roger Ortmayer in Motive)

Information On Social Security

By Luther N. Davis

Some people may have been distrubed recently by published reports alleging that the old-age and survivors insurance program was running into financial trouble. I can assure you that the program is financially sound and that there will be enough money to pay all future benefits, and I think that the facts about how the syste mis financed will show you that this is true.

WHERE THE MONEY COMES FROM — The old-age and survivors insurance program is financed out of the social security tax contributions of employees and their employers, and the self-employed. These tax contributions go into a separate Trust Fund in the U. S. Treasury and that part of the Fund not needed for current expenditures is invested in interest-bearing U.S. Government Bonds. The interest on these bonds is added to the Fund. In the 20 years sinc e1937, the OASI Trust Fund has grown to $23 billion.

More than 10 million men, women and children are now receiving monthly benefits and the numbre of beneficiaries is expected to grow steadily for the next 50 to 75 years. To cover the cost of making payments to all these people, Congress has written into law a gradually rising schedule of social security taxes.

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to $4200 a year. A matching 2¼% is paid by their employers. Self-employed people pay a tax of 3-3/8% of their net earnings up to $4200 a year. The amount of social security taxes is scheduled to go up slightly in 1960, and again in 1965, 1970, and 1975. With the $23 billion now in the OASI Trust Fund and with the income taxes paid under this schedule, plus interest on bond investments, there will be enough money to pay all future benefits.

OASI SYSTEM IS NOT "RUNNING IN THE RED" — During the fiscal year which ended June 30, 1957, income to the Trust Fund totaled $7.1billion. Of this, $6.5 billion was tax contributions and $560 million was interest on the invested assets of the Fund. Benefit payments and administrative expenses totalled slightly less than $6.7 billion. So the Fund increased by more than $400 million in the fiscal year just ended.

The Trust Fund has increased every year since the program went into operation in 1937, and since the long range trend of the Fund is upward, it will continue to increase. But it has been anticipated that there will be periods when the margin of income over outgo would narrow and that outgo might even extended social security coverage and 1956 amendments, which exceed income for a time before each increase in the tax rate becomes effective.

A TEMPORARY HALT—With the next change in the tax rate scheduled for 1960, a temporary halt in the growth of the Fund was expected some time before 1960. This temporary halt, it now appears, may take place a little earlier than anticipated because benefit payments are somewhat higher than they were expected to be at this particular time. However, when the tax rate increases in 1960, the Fund will again start to grow.

Present benefits expenditures are running higher than expected largely as a result of the 1954 to over 10 million people in occupations that were not previously covered. Many more older workers in these occupational groups have become eligible and applied for benefits than was expected. But while the payment of benefits to these additional people affects the short-range situation of the Trust Fund, it has almost no significance at all when compared to total benefit payments over the years, and no effect on the long-range financial soundness of the program.

THE SYSTEM IS FINANCIALLY SOUND — Some published reports seem to have disregarded the strictly temporary nature of the present situation and have erroneously concluded that the trend of Trust Fund growth has been reversed.

As I have pointed out, the Fund will start to grow again as soon as the 1960 tax increase goes into effect, and will continue to grow for the next 50 to 75 years. With the income from the taxes now scheduled in the law, and the interest on investments, there will be enough money to pay all future benefits. The old-age and survivors insurance system is self-supporting and it will continue to be self-supporting.

Officials of the Social Security District Office located in the Carpenters' Building in Hattiesburg, will be pleased to answer any questions that you may have concerning any part of the Bureau of Old-Age and Survivors Insurance program.

FINANCE UNDERSTANDING

Seattle, Wash.—In order to finance the fare of a foreign student to come to their high school, Franklin High School students are selling shares in "international understanding" at 25 cents a share. The bargain rate is five for $1. In 1955, they raised $250 toward the fare of Kurt Ahrens, a 17-year-old German boy, who is now a Franklin senior. The American Field Service paid the remainder of his travel costs.

Potomac . . .

he cooled off, cannot be enforced by troops. There is still a need for "patience" and "tolerance", he repeated. Again he reminded other Southerns that they might follow the example of Govs. Hodges (N. C.), Clement (Tenn.), Collin (Fla.) and McKeldin (Md.).

These men, he said, oppose integration but nevertheless "as loyal citizens" they are carrying out the orders of the court.

In some ways this press conference was remarkable, not only for Eisenhower's resolution, but also because he only once reverted to his old comments about how you cannot change the hearts of men by laws.

Once he had moved as a military man, as the Commander-in-chief, the whole Eisenhower demeanor seemed to change. At last he appeared to realize the power of his office.

NAPS AN TRACK

Silver City, N. M.—Police officials were recently notified that the body of an unidentified man was lying on the crushed rock roadbed of the Santa Fe Railroad right of way between Deming and Hatch, N. M. Police investigated and found the man was just "taking a nap."

Cotton Knocked Out By Rains

Recent rain further delayed crops harvesting over much of Mississippi. Losses of cotton, corn and soybeans have occurred. Harvesting is generally well behind normal for this time of the year. Small grains for winter grazing are making excellent growth where the weather permitted early planting.

Sharkey County recently had over six inches of rain in the northern part of the county, and three to five inches in the southern part. Some soybeans were covered with water and this will probably cause some rotting in beans which were ready to harvest, and cotton was "knocked out" by the rain and wind. A week of good harvest weather ended with over four inches of rain in Bolivar County.

Cotton harvesting is approximately 50 percent completed in Leake County with heavy damage being done from continuous rains. In Panola County, cotton harvesting has picked up but it still behind normal years. Two weeks of sunshine have been of some help to Pike County farmers.

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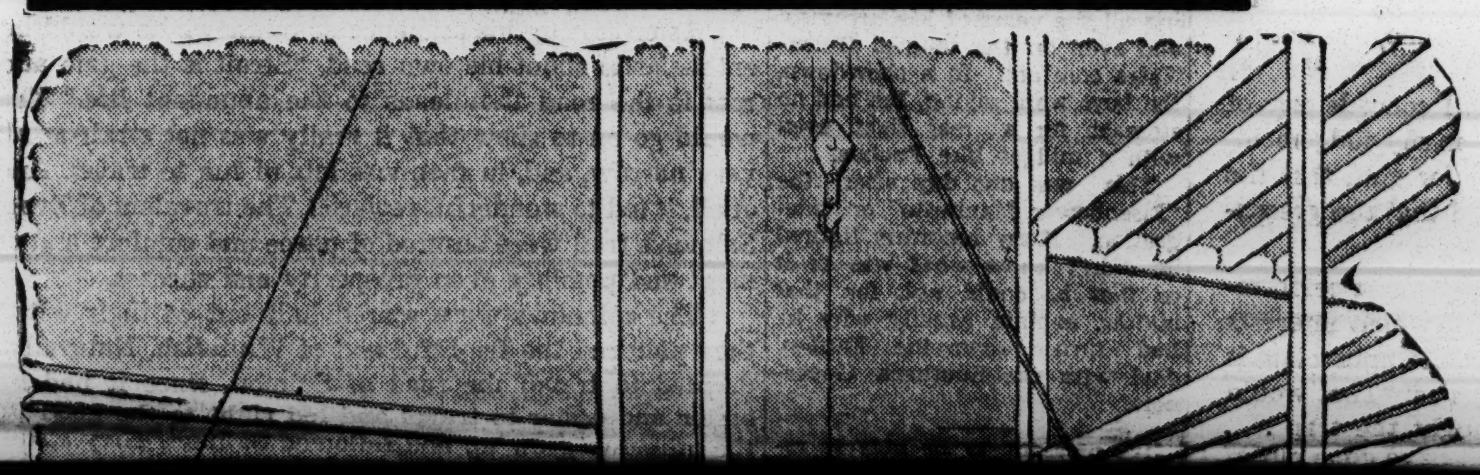

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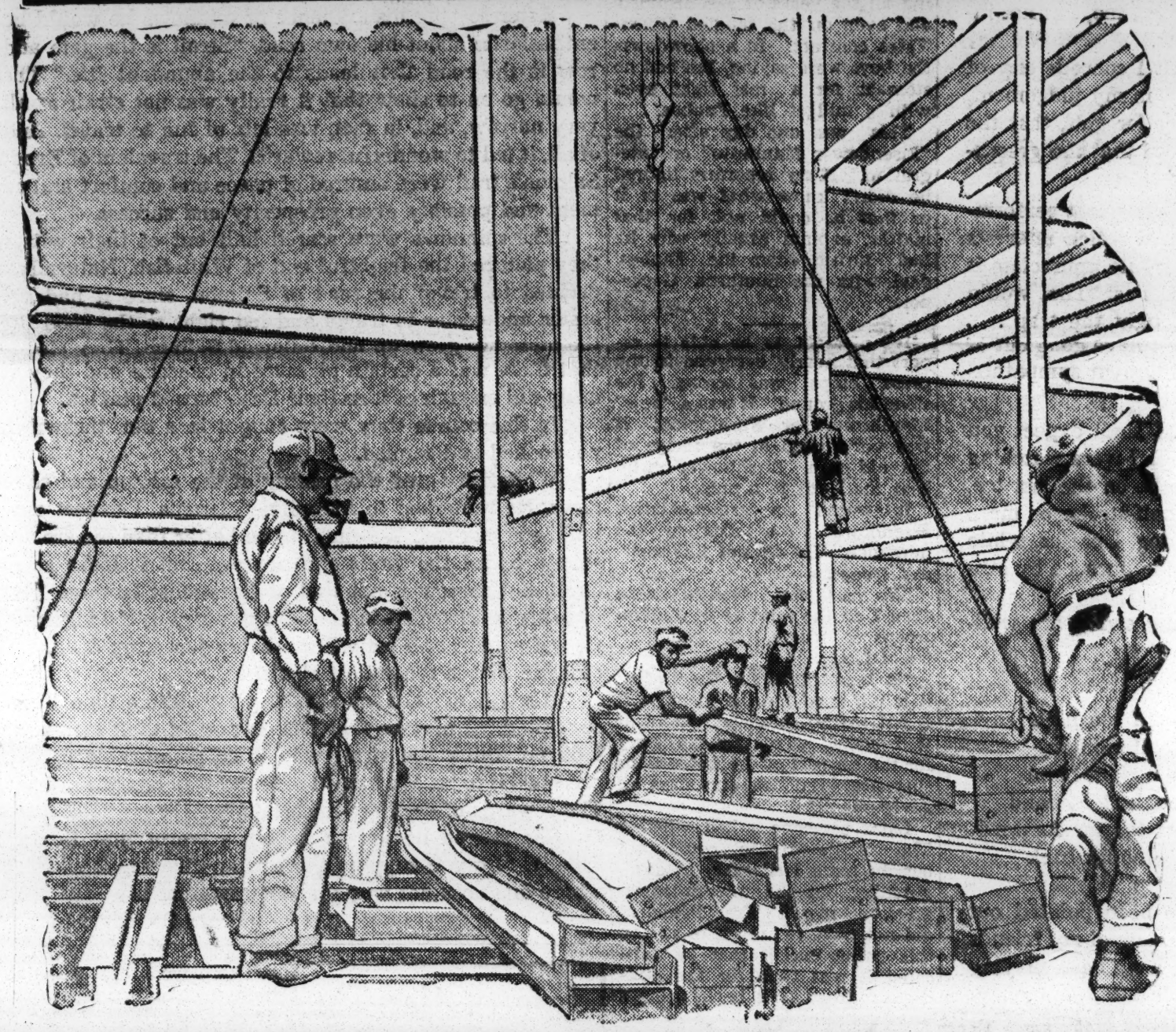

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Fish Industry Activity Slow

Mississippi fisheries trends during September showed an unsteady production of shrimp, a decline in the crab catch and slow activities in the fishing industry.

Shrimp production was not steady, because of weather conditions; but good catches were reported fro mvessels shrimping in deep water for large brown shrimp. Several periods of bad weather made production of crabs lower than the normal seasonal drop.

Condition of oysters were good for this early in the season and will improve with cooler weather. Tuna catches were reported steady, and menhaden fishing continued slow.

UNUSUAL THEFT

Concord, Calif — Local police would like to lower the boom on thieves who recently stole three 35-foot sections of a giant crane boom and its big rotating base.

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The cash income from sales of eggs and poultry in 1956 totaled $46,400,000.00.

'COLD WAR' IN TEXAS

Fort Stockton, Tex.—The proposal to split the large West Texas county of Pecos into two counties is causing a sort of "cold war" between the east and the west. Unhappy "easterners" want to divide the county, now four times the size of Luxembourg, because they figure they are getting the short end of the tax take. Pecos County has an estimated 10,933 population.

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LEGAL NOTICES

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND

WHEREAS, Henry Jordan, did for a valuable consideration, execute and deliver to the undersigned Dudley W. Conner, trustee, his deed of trust dated September 24, 1957 conveying in trust the hereinafter described land to secure the indebtedness described therein, which said deed of trust is of record in Book 206 on Pages 485-86 of the deeds of trust records on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Forrest County, Mississippi, and,

WHEREAS, the note described in and secured by the said deed of trust was not paid at maturity and no extension thereof was asked for or received but said note and deed of trust became and are in default, no part thereof having been paid, and the beneficiary named in said deed of trust, the holder of said note, has requested the undersigned trustee to foreclose the deed of trust for the purpose of paying and

Oil Publication Being Prepared

A publication containing up-to-date information on 57 oil and gas fields in Mississippi is being prepared by the Mississippi Geological Society and will be ready for early fall distribution.

The edition entitled "Mesozoic-Paleozoic Producing Areas of Mississippi and Alabama", will contain maps of individual fields and specific geologic and production data.

In addition, there will be a discussion dealing with the habitat of oil in the Southeastern States, two cross-sections showing the relationships of the lower Cretaceous sediments in the area, and two composit, columnar sections showing something of the lithology and stratigraphy, as well as the location of the zones from which each of the fields produces.

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THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me as trustee I hereby give public notice that on the 6th day of December, 1957 at the East or front door, the same being the Main Street entrance of the Forrest County Courthouse, Hattiesburg, Mississippi within the hours prescribed by law, I will offer for sale and will sell to the highest bidder therefor for cash, the land described in said deed of trust as being:

The West 98 feet of Lot 15 of Block 3 of the Magruder & Company Survey and Addition to the City of Hattiesburg according to the official map or plat thereof on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Forrest County, Mississippi, together with all improvements and appurtenances thereon or thereunto belonging.

I believe the title to be good but I will sell only such title as is vested in me by said deed of trust.

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Church nursery open at all services.

PETAL METHODIST CHURCH, MAIN STREET, PETAL

Services begin with Sunday School at 9:45 a.m., W. C. Mathis, Superintendent.

Rev. J. P. Payne, Pastor, preaches at 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

WSCS meets at 2:00 p.m. on Mondays.

Mid-Week Prayer Meeting is held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. Choir practice follows prayer meeting.

Song services are under the direction of Mrs. B. L. Coulter; Mrs. D. H. Halliwell, Sr., Organist.

The public is cordially invited to attend. The nursery is open at all services.

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Services begin at 9:45 a.m. with Sunday School, Robert Powell, Supt.

Q. C. Barrett, Pastor, preaches at 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Prayer Meeting is 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays . . . following prayer meeting all organizations meet . . . YWA's, GA's, RA's, WMU, Brotherhood, and Sunbeams.

Song services are under the direction of W. C. Rainey, Jr.; pianist is Miss Polly Morgan.

The public is extended a cordial invitation to attend services. Nursery is open at all services.

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Services begin with Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. Henry Hardy, Supt.

Rev. W. A. Richardson, Pastor, preaches at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Baptist Training Union meets at 6:30 p.m. Sundays.

Mid-Week Prayer meeting is held at 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays.

Song services are under the direction of Mr. Ford Parker; Mrs. J. M. Van Devender, pianist.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

Nursery is open at all services.

PETAL-HARVEY BAPTIST CHURCH,

Services will begin with Sunday School at 9:45 a.m., Pat Rogers, Supt.

Rev. Sam W. Waggener, Pastor, preaches at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Training Union meets at 6:45 p.m., C. E. Richardson, Director.

Mid-Week Prayer meeting is held at 7:30 pm. Wednesdays at Richton Road and Harvey Mission prayer meeting is held 7:30 p.m. Thursdays.

Song services are under the direction of Mr. Charles Caulkin; Mrs. W. H. Clearman, Organist, and Mrs. Mazie Nell Smith, pianist.

The public is cordially invited to attend; the nursery is open at all services.

PETAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MAIN STREET, PETAL

Services begin at 10:00 a.m. with Sunday School, H. L. Norsworthy, Supt.

Evangelist Howard S. Williams preaches at 11.00 a.m.

Bible Class meets Sunday from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Choir practice is held Wednesday nights at 7:30.

Song services are under the direction of Mrs. D. L. Priest; pianist is Miss Bernice Norsworthy.

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Bridge Toll Is Reported High

The Mississippi Highway Department said tolls collected on the Bay St. Louis and Pascagoula bridges totaled $107,750 during September. The department said 168,077 vehicles crossed the Bay St. Louis bridge and paid $52,248 and 190,253 vehicles crossed the Pascagoula span and paid $55,501.

State Now Ranks Top In Tree Farms

"Mississippi ranks tops in the nation for the number of tree farms" according to the Mississippi Pine Manufacturers' Association. Noting that there are 1150 tree farms in this State, tree crops are considered wealth which replaces itself, and that 54 percent of the State is dedicated to forest production.

Turkey's military aid from the United States in the 1955-56 fiscal period amounted to 200 million dollars.

SHOW APPRECIATION

Dublin, Tex. — Farmers and ranchers recently held a thank-you party for railroad officials who cut freight rates on hay shipped into this drought-stricken area. The railroads made a voluntary cut of $14 a ton on hay. This cut, plus a Government subsidy, kept ranchers, farmers and dairymen in Texas from going broke.

SEEKS JUMPING TITLE AT NATIONALS

HOLMDEL, N. J. — Thomas Geoly will make a bid for opening jumper honors at the 69th National Horse Show to be held in Madison Square Garden Nov. 5-12. He has entered Tagg's Matador and Tagg's Paleface, former members of the United States equestrian team, and Tagg's High Tide and Tagg's Lane.

Sawmills now mostly use high-pressure jets of water to remove bark from trees.

The Chinese language and its dialects are used by nearly 500 million people.

State Seventh In Road Work

Mississippi ranks seventh in the United States and second in the South in work on the new Federal Interstate Highway System, the Bureau of Public Roads stated.

The State Highway Department has 85 miles of interstate system under construction or contract. Only California, Colorado, New Mexico, North Carolina, Texas and Wyoming exceed this figure. Interstate routes in Mississippi total about 690 miles of highways 80, 51, 90 and 11.

Their construction, 90 percent of which is financed by the Federal Government, is scheduled over a period of about 15 years. All engineering studies and design work is being done by the State Highway Department.

MISUSES HOSPITALITY

Columbus, O.—A young man entered 70-year-old Charles Hatum's grocery store and complained of wet, cold feet. Hatum invited him to dry his shoes on a heater behind the counter. The youth did, then pulled a pistol, emptied the cash register of about $200 and ran.

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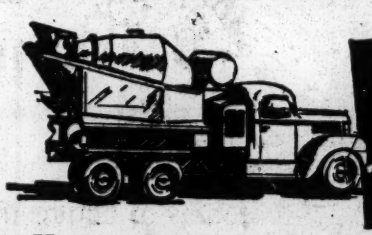
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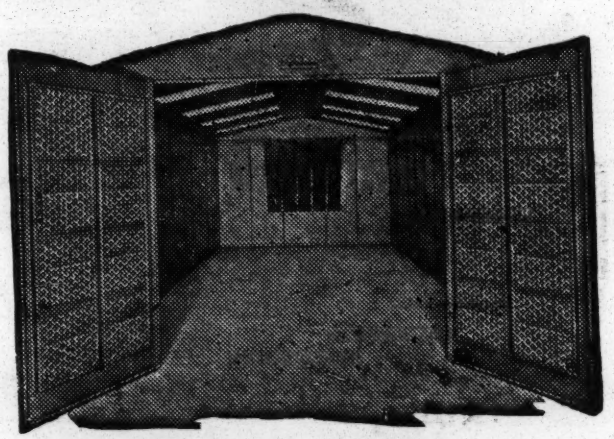

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